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Reply to Office Action of January 6, 2005

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Prior to this Amendment, claims 1-25 were pending in the application.
Claims 19, 20, and 22-24 are canceled.
Claims 21 and 25 are amended to make these claims depend from claim 1.
After entry of the Amendment, claims 1-18, 21, and 25 remain for consideration by the Examiner.

Allowable Subject Matter

In the January 6, 2005 Office Action, claims 1-18 were allowed.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §102

The Office Action rejected claims 19-25 under 35 U.S.C. §102(a) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,199,077 ("Inala"). Claims 19, 20, and 22-24 are canceled. Claims 21 and 25 are amended to depend from allowed claim 1 and to change their limitations to method form. As a result of these amendments, claims 21 and 25 are allowable as depending from an allowed base claim.

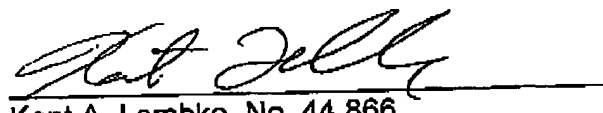
Conclusions

In view of all of the above, Applicants request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

No fee is believed due for this submittal. However, any fee deficiency associated with this submittal may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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